

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PORG, RQ, ML  
SUBJ: PUERTO RICO IN A NON-ALIGNED CONTEXT

REF: STATE 074814

1. POL OFF, IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION ON NON-ALIGNED AFFAIRS,  
APRIL 27 DISCUSSED PUERTO RICO WITH MAKAN DEMBELE, ACTING DIRECTOR,  
POLITICAL DIVISION, MALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.  
DEMBELE IS VERY FAMILIAR WITH PUERTO RICO, HAVING VISITED  
THE ISLAND IN 1976 AND BEING ONE OF THIS EMBASSY'S PRINCIPAL CONTACTS  
IN NUMEROUS REPRESENTATIONS TO FOREIGN MINISTRY ON THIS SUBJECT.

2. DEMBEL DOUBTED THAT THERE WOULD BE MUCH ENTHUSIASM FOR DIS-  
CUSSION OF PUERTO RICO AT KABUL OR BELGRADE. WHETHER OR NOT CUBA  
WOULD PUSH ISSUE DEPENDED, HE THOUGHT, ON STATUS OF RELATIONS  
BETWEEN CUBA AND THE UNITED STATES AT TIME OF RESPEC-  
TIVE MEETINGS. IN DEMBELE'S VIEW, UNITED STATES WOULD BE IN  
BETTER POSITION TO PRESSURE CUBA ON QUESTIONS LIKE PUERTO  
RICO AND CUBAN PRESENCE IN AFRICA IF FORMAL RELATIONS BETWEEN  
TWO COUNTRIES WERE FIRST RESTORED.

3. DEPARTMENT PASS KABUL IF DESIRED.  
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